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St Ives,
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Sept 15 1895

Dear Silvanus Thompson

Not long ago you did a very good service to Bradford College by a lecture you gave us, and I want to know whether you would do another & probably still greater service to the College by giving the Inaugural address on Thursday Oct 6th at 4.30. I know this is asking a great deal, and that the time is very near at hand, but this could not be helped. I wanted

I have seen you and talked
the matter over with you at
Princeton, but with the rush of
things which are always happening
I forgot it till just as the mail
closed & then I could not find you.
The address is nothing formidable
only an hour & an hours talk
would be quite enough and
any thing with an educational
flavour about it would be

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acceptable. I feel I ought to say
first of all how much I appreciate
your good nature in making such a
request at such a time, but I can
honestly add I do hope you may
see your way to according to it.

I am

Yours truly

W. Mitchell

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**RUSSELL (William James,** F.R.S., P.C.S., *prof. natural philos., Bedford College, chemist*) A.L.S. (W. J. RUSSELL), St. Ives, Ringwood, Hants., Sept. 15 1898, to 'Dear Silvanus Thompson,' 2½ pages 8vo., 12*s* 6*d*

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Asking him whether he would be prepared to deliver the inaugural address at Bedford College.

Downing Street, Whitehall, S.W., Feb. 6/02, to "Dear Prof. [Silvanus P.] Thompson," 3 p
8vo., with stamped and postmarked envelope, £2, 2s

'It is very good of you to offer to send me your ring. I shall be very glad to have it, as it will save me the troub
getting one made. Will you throw in the egg ? The worst of getting things for R.I. is that when one wants them a
after 2 or 3 years they are damaged or lost.' . . .